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UTILIZATION CRITERIA FOR TALENT ELINT

1. The basic principles to be adhered to in the utilization of TALENT ELINT materials are:

a. The materials which reveal the fact that information was obtained from overflight will never be disseminated or utilized outside the CONTROL SYSTEM, except in unusual cases where specific authorization is granted by the DCI. These materials include tapes and raw data that can be identified with the TALENT system.

b. The process for extracting information from the raw data, cited above, for use outside the CONTROL SYSTEM must be done in such a way as to leave no evidence or indication of its origin as being TALENT.

2. Exploitation of TALENT ELINT will be accomplished within the CONTROL SYSTEM to the maximum degree possible at the Washington level. Exploitation within the system below this level will generally be restricted to the Major Component Command level.

3. Procedures for utilizing and exploiting TALENT ELINT will be restricted to the following:

a. Information may be studied within the TALENT SYSTEM by cleared key intelligence analysts, operations and planning personnel, and used as background without reference to source in situations where documentation is not required.

b. Raw ELINT data originally recorded on TALENT SYSTEM tapes may be analyzed outside the CONTROL SYSTEM only when all aspects have been removed that could identify the source as TALENT. After all original or raw reproductions of tapes have been played back by cleared analysts, for purposes of insuring that no recorded information is present which will compromise source or any operational information, they may be passed to uncleared analysts for analysis purposes who have a minimum SECRET clearance. In case source or operational data is contained on the original tapes, cleared analysts may make a reproduction of the tapes deleting this information to insure that only pure ELINT intercept which does not reveal operational information is present. Following this process, the reproduced tapes may then be passed to uncleared analysts as stated above.

c. Through the deletion of those operational aspects requiring TALENT control, see paragraph 1a above, the TALENT ELINT may be disseminated outside the system, but may not be classified lower than SECRET. Those operational aspects requiring deletion are: pre-mission planning and briefing, post-mission interrogation, navigational data, relative electronics intercept bearing information, and any other information

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that could compromise the source. In accordance with the foregoing, only the data which follows, by security classification, will be released outside the TALENT SYSTEM:

SECRET AND TOP SECRET REPORTS

1. Location - Provided a collateral source could feasibly obtain or support the location.
2. Type - function.
3. Signal characteristics.
4. Year of information.
5. Source of information will not be indicated, in any form, in the SECRET and TOP SECRET reports.
6. When the above has been accomplished, this type report need not be marked NOFORN.

TOP SECRET CODEWORD REPORTS

1. All the information contained in SECRET/TOP SECRET reports as indicated in paragraph 3c, above.
2. The source of information may be indicated ONLY AS COLLATERAL OR FROM OTHER RELIABLE SOURCES.
- d. The principle established in paragraph 1b above will be rigidly followed in sub-paragraphs 3b and c, above,
4. Each Department or Agency will submit to the Utilization Board for approval his proposed procedures developed under the provisions of paragraphs 3b and c of this paper.